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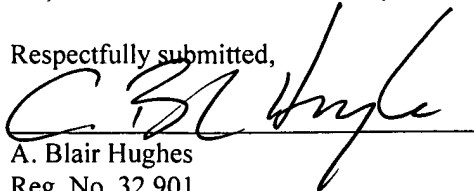
Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

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